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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

MARY L. TUTTLE,  
Plaintiff,

vs.

CHASE INSURANCE LIFE AND ANNUITY  
COMPANY, FEDERAL KEMPER LIFE  
ASSURANCE CO., SELECTQUOTE  
INSURANCE SERVICES, and DOES 1-10,  
Defendants.

Case No. C07-3637 MEJ

**DECLINATION TO PROCEED BEFORE A  
MAGISTRATE JUDGE AND REQUEST  
FOR REASSIGNMENT TO A UNITED  
STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**

Honorable Maria-Elena James

REQUEST FOR REASSIGNMENT TO A UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

The undersigned party hereby declines to consent to the assignment of this case to a United  
States Magistrate Judge for trial and disposition and hereby requests the reassignment of this case to  
a United States District Judge.

Dated: July 23, 2007

Signed by: /s/ Eugenia S. Chern

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